



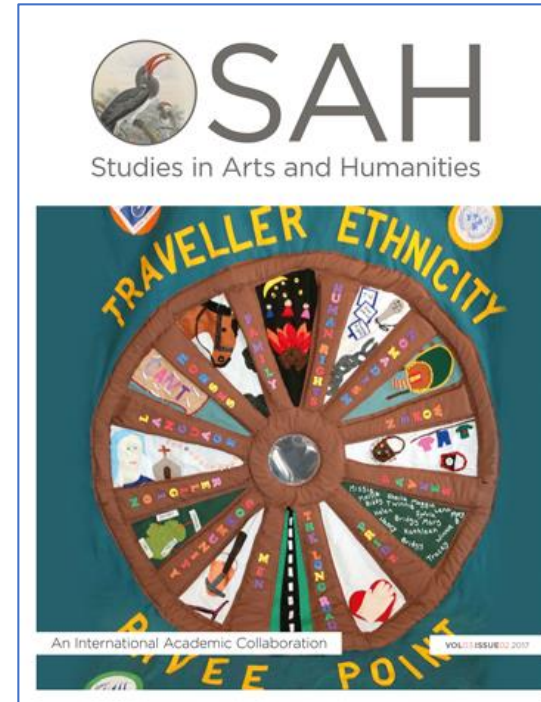
# Turning Your Thesis into a Journal Article

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# About Me

- Co founder of Studies in Arts and Humanities Journal and DBS Business Review
- Co founder of [DBS Library Press](#)
- Journals published by DBS Library Press are also indexed on the [Directory of Open Access Journals](#) and on EBSCO and Proquest databases.
- I recently completed the Library Publishing Coalition's [Library Publishing Curriculum](#)
- I recently co-chaired the [Library Publishing Conference of the International Federation of Library Associations](#) which was held at DBS.
- I also presented at the IFLA event on an issue of SAH that I edited on [ethnic minorities](#).



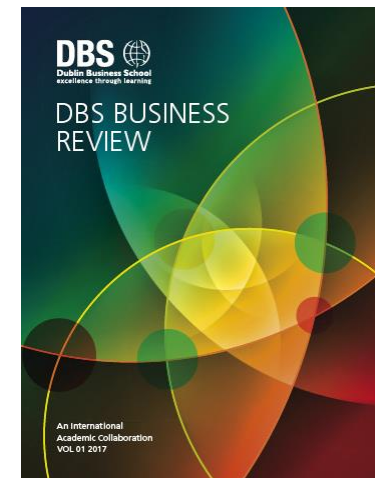
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- Disseminate your work
- Enhance your CV/Career Development
- Develop your writing skills independently or with a co-author
- If co-publishing with a member of faculty, you will have the opportunity to co-create an article in partnership with your lecturer.
- Support applications for further study
- Sense of personal achievement



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- **Discoverability:** the journal is indexed on the Directory of Open Access Journals and on EBSCO and Proquest databases.
- **Quality:** Two high quality issues from 2017 and 2018/submissions from across HE
- **Distinguished Advisory Board:** comprising journal publishing heavyweights from across the Irish HE sector and beyond



# Where to start?

The main differences between a thesis and an article:

## THESIS

- Meets academic requirements
- Reviewed by select committee members
- Chapters
- Lengthy, no word limits
- Table of contents
- Lengthy research of literature
- IRB approval described in detail
- Description and copies of tools used
- All findings presented
- Verb tenses

## JOURNAL ARTICLE

- Meets journalistic standards
- Reviewed by panel of blind reviewers
- Sections
- Word limits
- Manuscript format
- Succinct research of literature
- IRB described in 1 to 3 sentences
- Essential and succinct tool information
- Selected findings presented
- Verb tenses are fairly consistent



<https://www.elsevier.com/connect/authors-update/eight-top-tips-to-help-you-turn-your-phd-thesis-into-an-article>

# Submission Criteria DBS Business Review

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## Key Tips

- Selecting parts to repurpose
- Paraphrase sentences (tenses, use third person etc.)
- Re-formatting content in line with submission requirements
- Consider combining your research questions or focusing on a single one for the article.
- keep the introduction and methods section succinct.
- Limit findings to those that pertain to the refined research question only
- Discussion part: compare your findings to the literature reviewed in your article. Indicate how your findings have expanded the perspective on this area. Are there any limitations? Suggest future studies for investigation.
- Limit references to the most relevant
- Read academic articles DBS Business Review [dbsbusinessreview.ie](http://dbsbusinessreview.ie)



## Key Tip: Take the Thesis Look off of the Work



No research onions



No future tense...I will research



No personal reflections



No lengthy sections: succinct intro, methodology, smaller lit review. Focus on the salient





# Peer Review Process



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rOCQZ7QnoN0>



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Turning your thesis into publications should mark the beginning of your publication career. It is important to publish work post PhD as this makes your research more accessible to others.

One of the most important points to note is that writing an article from a thesis is not simply a task of cutting and pasting. The purpose and format of a thesis or dissertation is very different from that of a journal article or book chapter. The primary audience for the thesis is the examiner, and the student needs to convince the examiner that they have mastered research techniques and understand the arguments they are making. This can make the thesis repetitive and full of detail.

The wider audience for the article or book chapter will want to know about the arguments or findings and at the same time be convinced that the findings are authentic and trustworthy.

<https://authorservices.taylorandfrancis.com/extracting-a-journal-article-from-your-thesis/>

Marissa Rollnick, winner of a 2018 [NARST](#) Distinguished Contributions to Science Education through Research Award has these words of advice



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